

Janet Botes

ARTIST HOUSESIT

Prior to the house-sit we will discuss the chores and tasks I need to do, as well as your requests for the artwork. During the key handover you give me two sheets of paper – the first one is the list of chores or tasks for the house (feeding the pets, how often plants get watered, your mailbox, and other house tasks that need doing), and the second sheet would be your ideas or needs about the artwork – e.g. sizes, images for reference/inspiration.

Sleep-in service

- 24 Hour Service – Maximum 8 Hours Away from the House per Day
- In House from 6pm to 6am
- Take out your Rubbish
- Collect your Post
- Caring, Feeding, Playing and Walking with your Pets
- Caring and Watering Plants
- Updates via Whatsapp or SMS
- Artwork created for your home

R300/day for any amount of cats, birds, mice, turtles and other small pets. R350/day if there are dogs too.

Daily check-in service (ONLY on the Garden Route)

- Daily Scheduled Visits
- Minimum 30 Minutes per House Visit
- Caring, Feeding and Playing with your Pets
- Caring and Watering Plants as required
- Updates via Whatsapp or SMS
- Artwork created for your home

R150/day for any amount of cats, birds, mice, turtles and other small pets. R200/day if there are dogs too.

Important to consider

5 day minimum booking. Materials and framing are charged extra, but the creation of the artwork is included in the house-sitting.

You can specify the materials, theme/subject matter, and size, BUT the complexity and size of the artwork largely depends on the amount of time available. Also, if materials need to be sourced, or framing needs to be done, this needs to be factored in when we work out the timeline.

Questions you might be asking:

Won't I make a mess in your house while creating the artwork?

No, I protect the surfaces I work on, and work with great care and consideration for your space, your neighbors, and your pets.

What type of artworks and craftwork can I create?

I have a varied skill set and diverse techniques, so you could request artwork(s) that include, but are not limited, to the following: painting, drawing, assemblage sculptures, hand-sewing, paper machê, garden art, new media, experimental & conceptual art, collage, decor from 'waste', photographic prints, mixed media on wood, and mural painting.

Which areas do I serve?

I'm open to discussing anywhere in the Western Cape, but my main base for operation is the Garden Route and Cape Town area. Other areas in South Africa can be considered if travel costs are covered.

Can you see work-in-progress during your holiday?

Yes! You have a choice of whether you'd like to just enjoy your holiday with no thoughts about home, or whether you'd like me to give updates and photos about your home, garden, pets and the progress on the artwork.

How much will it cost?

It depends on the duration, location, amount of animals, size of your garden, and what type of artwork(s) you would like. My time/labour for the artwork is included in the house-sitting rate (yup, it is!), but you pay for the materials and framing.

Payment terms

A non-refundable 50% of the full amount deposit needs to be paid before the time period requested within 3 days of receiving my invoice. The balance payment is paid on your return to your house, happy pets and the artwork.

If payment is not made in the required time or notice of cancellation is given within 48 hours of the commencement of the booking, a cancellation fee of 25% per day booked will become automatically due.

If the final payment is not received within 14 days after the house-sit, an additional 5% penalty will be added for each week of late payment.